

RATCLIFF'S

Is The Place to Save Money by Spending It!

The difference in prices from those asked elsewhere will make a "TIDY LITTLE NEST EGG" to put away. Values were never better nor prices lower than now. Read with care the description and price of all winter wear.

Men's Overcoats, Ulsters.

In Oxfords, Covert, Whipcord, Irish Freeze, Kerseys, etc.; nothing more elegant in all the realm of fine tailor-made garments. Prices from \$5.00 to 20.00.

Shouse Bros'. Clothing.

Public opinion places Shouse Bros'. "High Art" clothing easily FIRST of all ready-to-wear garments. Because they are ready to put on. Because they lead in style. Because they remain shapely. Because they are so endurable. Because they excel in value. Suits at \$7.50 to 18.50, "High Art." Melton suits at \$10.00 and 12.50 a suit in four colors, round and square cut. Fine line of trousers from \$3.00 to 6.00.

Boots and Shoes.

Hamilton-Brown boots and shoes. Shoes for \$1.50. Boots at 2.00, the best goods on earth for the money. "Top Notch" shoes for men now \$1.50. Boys' boots and shoes from \$1.00 to 2.00.

Dry Goods.

Don't buy your fall and winter supply of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes until you examine our stocks and get our prices. Our stocks are larger and our prices are as low on first-class merchandise as other stores ask you for the inferior qualities. Every item we sell you will prove to be as good as we say it is; if not we make it good; you run no risk in buying from us. We have been in business in Vinita a long time, and our customers are the most prosperous people in the country.

For One Week

We will put on sale one thousand yards of wool suitings in all colors, plain and brocade weaves, 36 to 40 inches wide at 25c per yard. This material cannot be bought at wholesale at the price. Now is the time to buy your winter dresses, now while this sale is on.

1,000 yards fleece back wrapper goods in new choice patterns at 10c yard. Others ask you 12c per yard for exactly the very same grade of goods.

See our all-wool flannel in heavy twill at 15c per yard; you have paid 20c per yard for the very same kind.

We sell as good cotton flannel for 8c per yard as you can buy anywhere in Vinita for 10c per yard.

Ladies' and children's underwear: For 25c a suit you can buy a heavy derby ribbed, soft fleeced union suit for children in sizes from 3 to 12 years. This is the best value ever offered for the price asked, 25c.

Extra heavy ribbed underwear for ladies, two colors, gray and ecru, nicely trimmed, at 25c per garment, or 50c per suit; these are exceptionally good for the price.

Extra heavy ladies' union suits, soft fleecing, not made skimpy, but full sizes and lengths, at 50c per suit; others ask you 75c for the very same suits.

Boys' Clothing.

Our stock is much larger than ever. No poor makes or fancy prices permitted at Ratcliff's. Young men's suits at \$3.50 to 12.50, ages 18 to 20.

Vest suits, short pants, \$3.50 to 6.00.

Knee pant suits from \$1.00 to 5.00.

Vest suits ages 3 to 9, \$2.00 to 5.00.

E. N. Ratcliff Mer. Co.

High-Grade Merchandise,

Vinita, Indian Territory.

A Coat of Paint

costing more per gallon, but spreading further and therefore most economical, is MOUND CITY CO.'S **Horse Shoe Brand** PREPARED PAINT because it is strictly pure. Highest cost per gallon because of its merit, but cheaper than cheap paints in its spread, looks and wear. Absolute guarantee on every can. Suits both painter and houseowner.

P. G. BROWNING,
Dealer in Lumber, Lath, Shingles, Mound City Paint and Glass Varietables. Mound City Paints absolutely guaranteed.

Indian Chieftain.

VINITA, IND. TER. Oct. 18, 1900

LOCAL NOTES.

Little Mildred Smith is quite sick. All the latest in furniture at Ming's. See those oak rockers at Ming's for \$1.00.

The lathing is being put in the new Ironside building. Those mantle folding beds at Mings are just what you need.

United States Deputy Clerk, T. A. Chandler is in Kansas City. Dr. Meredith went to Kansas City Sunday evening on business.

Have you seen that picture molding at the Ming furniture store? An invoice of 30,000 envelopes was received today at this office.

See those new side boards at Ming's. They are just what you need. A. L. Churchill's father from Windsor, Mo., is visiting in the city.

Rev. W. T. King Preached at Pleasant Hill Sunday afternoon. See our window of pictures; they are cheap at Ming Furniture Co.

The Vinita Plow company sold five wagons on Saturday of last week. Mrs. Robt. O'Shea arrived Monday and is stopping at the Western.

Mrs. Fritz Hill and children will leave for western Texas soon to remain. Henry Ballard and wife are the parents of a new baby boy, born Monday.

D. S. Warren had a load of exceedingly fine apples on the market here Monday.

The Daily Chieftain goes about everywhere and is read by everybody these days.

Prof. B. F. Cleveland, of Tablequash was interviewing Chief Huntington Monday.

The contractors began rockballasting the Frisco from this city eastward yesterday morning.

Dick Morrison came over from Chelsea to assist in Foreman's drug store while the Dr. is away.

Monday at the Western hotel the Rev. W. T. King married P. E. Suagee and Miss Mary A. Leib.

Dr. Byrd, of Fairland, was here Monday to enter his daughter, Miss Susie, at Willie Halsey college.

Judge Gore and wife, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Mack McKinney and little girl, Lucile, spent Monday in the city.

Mr. Macfield, an extensive cattle feeder from Texas, and a friend of Dr. Chickasaw is here, looking for a place to feed a string of steers.

J. J. Spencer returned from a tour in the southern part of the territory Monday night where he has been collecting democratic campaign funds.

A Kansas woman has discovered that all one needs to get rich is to have the industry of the bee, the perseverance of an ant, and the instinct of a hog.

Nineteen-hundred and one isn't far off and a great many soldiers in the Philippines will be glad as many of them will have served their time the first of the year.

A petition asking for the incorporation of Centralia was filed in the United States court at this place last Saturday. W. H. Kornegay represents the petitioners.

Mrs. Joe M. Lahay and little daughter returned on the Katy flyer Tuesday from Glasgow, Scotland. Mr. Lahay was here to meet them and they returned home to Claremore on the Frisco.

"I like the Chieftain very much; it is the best newspaper in the Indian Territory," writes Prof. W. A. Caldwell, well known throughout the territory as a leading educator, and who is now at Charleston, Illinois.

Stray mare about 15 1/2 hands high, dark bay, about 12 years old and blind in one eye, branded P on left shoulder. Running at J. H. Harmon's at Timber Hill, 8 miles southeast of Vinita.

A handsomely illustrated book is in print giving in full detail the horrors of the Galveston flood. A lady is in Vinita Wednesday appointing agents to canvass for the book. It is an interesting chapter and no doubt will have a big sale.

A. F. Chamberlin was called to South McAlester a few days ago to do service in the Chickasaw country as policeman in carrying out the orders of the interior department with reference to the collection of tribal taxes. He returned Monday.

New Train Service. Train service on the Frisco has been established on the Red River division to Holdenville, I. T., 82 miles from Sapulpa. This is the third section on the new extension from Henrietta.

Trains are expected to be running into Sherman, Tex., by January 1st.

Nonsectarian Revival.

J. M. Daily and J. N. Lacy, evangelists, are holding a series of meetings in the Congregational church. They expect quite a band of workers and ministers to lend their help. These meetings are nonsectarian and all religious people are invited to come and take part in these services.

Furnished Children Food.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Green, of the Green hotel, have very kindly furnished food for the three little children deserted by their mother in the south part of town. It is believed a home has been found for the little girl, but what can be done with the little boys has not yet been determined.

Major Goldberg's Successor.

Mr. Allen, of Wyandotte, superintendent of the Quapaw schools, was here Monday to see Prof. Coppock, superintendent of Cherokee schools. Mr. Allen has been appointed agent at the Quapaw agency, to succeed Major Goldberg, who died last week at the agency.

Sunday School Organized.

There were 75 present at the organization of the Christian church Sunday school Sunday morning. Josiah G. Davis was chosen superintendent, W. R. Thompson, assistant; Miss Nettie Webb, secretary; Mrs. H. C. McGlasson, treasurer; Miss Daniel, organist; Mr. Young, chorister.

Live Stock Agent Promoted.

Mr. W. W. Miller, general live stock agent of the M. & K. T. railway at Fort Worth, has been promoted to position of assistant general freight agent of the same company with headquarters at Chicago, effective November 1st. Mr. Warren V. Galbreath, claim agent of M. & K. T. at Dallas, succeeds Mr. Miller at Fort Worth.

Three Deserted Children.

There is a family of three deserted and abandoned children in the south part of town. The mother went away and left them without food or clothing several days ago. A little girl 11 years old and two little boys, the youngest being only three years old. T. F. Thompson, Jr., and wife have been caring for them but they ought to be placed in some home or homes where they can be cared for.

Parker's Big Pension.

Orville E. Parker, of Coffeyville, a soldier boy in the late Company G, Twenty-fifth Kansas, has been granted a pension of \$36 dollars per month, dating from last September. Mr. Parker was shot in the shoulder at Guadalupe in April, 1899, and the injury disabled that arm. He applied for his pension last September. This sum will soon put him on "easy street" for the rest of his life.

Liberated the Wrong Man.

City Marshal Bud Ledbetter arrested a man here Tuesday on information from Grove charging him with forging two notes and obtaining money on them from business men there. The fellow was liberated Tuesday night by United States

Deputy Pias Thompson. Wednesday a man arrived from Grove with the information that he was the man wanted, but had left town and thus made his escape.

Chickasaw Merchant Tax.

A. F. Chamberlin returned Sunday from Ardmore, where he had been with Captain Jack Ellis. The Indian police were sent to Ardmore to shut up the stores of a number of merchants who had refused to pay the tribal taxes exacted by the Chickasaw government. The stores were closed but an injunction was granted by Judge Townsend and they were opened again. No one was ejected on promise to pay the taxes which all agreed to do, except one Jew merchant.

Farm For Sale.

Farm consisting of 160 acres, 100 acres in cultivation and under fence with a good two room house and two good wells. Located on Salt Creek, six miles east of Nowata, and twelve miles northwest of Chelsea; part of the land is bottom. Price \$500; will take cattle, hogs, horses or mules in payment, or a good note. Will exchange for town property. Apply to E. A. WILKINSON, Coody's Bluff, I. T.

Came Near Suffocating.

Last week Will Highland at Ratcliff's set about to clean the interior of the big gasoline tank at Ratcliff's. Will crawled into the tank, but only remained a few minutes till he began to suffocate from inhaling the smell of the gasoline. He attempted to get out, but failed, and would have met an untimely death had not some of the other employees of the store extricated him from the can just when they did. When rescued he was very weak and pale, but soon recovered and is now all right.

The Indian Mission Conference.

Preparations are going forward for the entertainment of the Indian mission conference, which begins its session here the middle of next week. There will be a number of the great preachers of the church in attendance. Dr. Briggs, of Kansas City, and Dr. W. B. Palmer, of St. Louis, will be among the number. The mornings will be devoted to business sessions, the afternoons to committee work, and the evenings to popular devotional meetings, to which the public will be invited. All the meetings, however, are open to the public.

Can't Cut Pine Logs.

Sam Fields was here from the Spawinaw country last week where he has owned a sawmill for the last quarter of a century. He says the recent timber cutting order of Inspector Wright is working a great hardship upon the Indians of that section, as he is forbidden to sell lumber for even a pile pen, and no Indian can cut saw logs from land other than his allotment, and as the pine timber grows in the fastnesses of the hills where no one would wish to take an allotment it practically stops the cutting of pine logs. The timber in that region is about all there is of value and it being common property the Cherokees have drawn their supplies of building material largely from there.

Rev. M. L. Butler's Sermon.

Before a large congregation Sunday night at the M. E. church south, Rev. M. L. Butler delivered his special sermon to the young men on "The secret of a successful life." The sermon was one of the best.

Mr. Butler, who has preached during his entire four years' stay in Vinita, and with the exception of next Sunday, was his last sermon in charge of the church here. In the course of his remarks he said: "I have more respect for the young man who goes out and works on the section and earns his living than I have for the dandy who parts his hair in the middle, sports a cane and fine clothes, and stands the merchant and tailor off. If the devil himself should appear in a clammer coat and a four-inch collar, he would be admitted into the BEST SOCIETY."

Magazines Combined.

It was announced sometime ago that a new magazine, entitled The Educational Enterprise, would be issued November 1st, by Miss Laura A. Rowland, of Fort Gibson, I. T. However, Miss Rowland has recently purchased a half interest in Twin Territories, which popular territorial magazine established at Muskogee over two years ago, and The Educational Enterprise will be combined with Twin Territories, the two continuing to be published under the name Twin Territories. Miss Rowland will travel in the interest of the magazine, and Miss Ora V. Eddleman, one of those interested in Twin Territories since its first establishment, and who has had editorial management of it for so long, will continue as editor. Both Misses Eddleman and Rowland are bright and intelligent, and will no doubt make a big success of Twin Territories.

OVER THE TELEPHONE.

England Bros. hay barn on the north side of town took fire last week being totally destroyed with about twelve hundred tons of baled hay, which was partially covered by insurance. No insurance on the barn.

TAILORSHIP.

The female seminary is not without its semi-annual excitement. This time a member of the board of education gets "too full for utterance" and hies himself to the female seminary to have a good time. By way of parenthesis, we should state that the wife of the said member of the board of education, was among the lost at Galveston. After going from room to room unbidden and without giving alarm at the door to determine whether or not a welcome was in store for him, he wound up his experiences by calling one teacher a "damned hypocrite," to face, and trying to embrace another in the presence of the pupils of the school. This is not the gentleman's first offense either, and why it should be tolerated is what is posing decent people in this neck of the woods.

Will W. Stratton died Tuesday of last week and was buried Wednesday

with Knight of Pythias honors. His father was killed by lightning a year ago and his sister is in the employ of J. W. Staple & Son. The family are left in a sad condition.

WILL LEAVE THE JUMBO.

A. L. Churchill leaves the management of the Jumbo store.

A. L. Churchill, the genial manager of the Jumbo store, has accepted a position with a wholesale dry goods house of St. Louis as salesman for the Indian Territory and Oklahoma, and will assume its duties the first of November. Mr. Churchill's home will still be Vinita, and his interests in a business and social way, will still be here, and a large share of his time will be spent here. It is the general regret of the people of Vinita that Mr. Churchill's connection with the Jumbo is to be less active than heretofore. While it is understood he will still be identified with the business, his presence in the store every day will be missed. No business man ever lived and did business in this city who was esteemed higher than Churchill. As an earnest, sincere, public spirited citizen, he has won for himself a place high in the esteem of his business associates and of the public generally. The success which he has achieved in the management of the big establishment of which he has been the head and moving spirit since its inception over three years ago, stamps him as a first class business man.

ONLY ONE VICTIM.

Jake Bodovitz Refused to Pay the Tax and Was Ejected.

Capt. Jack Ellis, chief of the Indian police, was still here this morning looking none the worse from Saturday's proceedings. He remarked that the merchants were coming in one by one and paying the tax and that he believed they were men too sensible to further resist, knowing that ejection would be the inevitable result.

Capt. Ellis came here clothed with authority to close the places of business and eject from the territory several Ardmore merchants. He was enjoined from closing their places of business by Judge Townsend, but the federal judge had no authority to issue an injunction against their ejection and Capt. Ellis said if the merchants had not paid he surely would have begun the work of ejection.

"How came it that you had orders for the ejection of so few when others have refused to pay?" was queried. "Other Ardmore firms were reported" said he "but the full name of each member of the firm was not given and no orders for their ejection were issued."

day to South McAlester. He was accompanied as far as Oklahoma City by Jake Bodovitz, the only business man who absolutely refused to pay the tax. Jake will be taken to Oklahoma City and released, and will probably return on the morning train. It remains to be seen whether his refusal to pay will subject him to any further annoyance.

The Pauls Valley case, which occurred last spring, is in point and if it serves as a precedent, Jake will be permitted to pursue the even tenor of his way untroubled by visions of Indian police or one per cent collectors.—Daily Ardmoreite.

Value of Window Displays.

I think I never fully appreciated the value of window displays until a few days ago. A tailor has his office in a front window on a prominent street. I had an engagement with him and had a wait of five minutes while he closed a deal with a customer. During the interval I sat idly looking into the busy street in front of me. The window was nearly on a level with the sidewalk. I was surprised to see how many people looked directly into the window, and apparently took close notice of the interior. Men, women, children—every one, it seemed, glanced in. There wasn't anything interesting (I was screened), it was one of a hundred similar windows on the street. I counted nearly one hundred people who passed in one direction while I watched. Just about three-fourths of them gave a glance into the window that would have been sufficient to give them general information about any goods that might have been there on exhibition. It doesn't take an expert mathematician to conceive what a tremendous advertising power is too frequently entirely wasted or indifferently used by merchants who imagine window displays too much trouble to bother with. If one of the indi-

viduals will take a place in his own window for five minutes and watch the passing throng, he will change his mind.—H. G. Wells, in Texas Pablicity.

Four priests, just from Belgium, have been assigned as follows: Theodore Van Hulse, to be rector of the church at Tulsa; M. D. D'banens, assistant at Vinita; W. Huffer, assistant at Muskogee; Herman Haaske, assistant at Hennessey.

The latestcoon song, written by Mrs. J. A. Hall, "A Happy Little Pickaninny." For sale at Brock's music store.

There is a story of a man who was so busy looking at the stars that, as he walked, he stumbled into a well. That's the story of a typical man, too busy.



looking at things away off, to notice more important things near by.

One-sixth of all deaths are from consumption. But the man goes along with his eyes bulging to watch cholera and yellow fever. He declines to cure the cold or check the little cough, and consumption trips him up.

Don't neglect little ailments. Keep the system up to the point of effectual resistance against disease. This is best done by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It strengthens the stomach, increases the action of the blood-making glands, cures all disorders of the organs of digestion and nutrition, except cancer of the stomach, purifies the blood, increases the vital energy and enables the body to resist and throw off disease. Even when there is emaciation, weakness, hectic cough, bleeding at the lungs and other alarming symptoms, "Golden Medical Discovery" can be counted on to help every time and to heal 95 times out of every hundred.

Sick people can consult Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., by letter, without fee or charge. Every letter is read in private, and treated as a sacred confidence. All replies are sent in plain envelopes.

Last spring I was laboring with severe pains in my chest, and was so weak I could hardly walk about the house," says Mrs. E. E. Perry of Fort Dodge, Webster Co., Iowa. "I tried several physicians and they told me I had consumption. I heard of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and I thought I would try some of it. Before I had taken the first bottle I was very much better. I took five bottles of it and have not yet had any return of the trouble. I am cured by using Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

Notice of Hearing to Incorporate the Town of Centralia.

Notice is hereby given that a petition signed by James Hunter and twenty other residents of the territory proposed to be incorporated, qualified to vote in municipal elections, praying for the organization into a town by the name of Centralia of the inhabitants of north 4 of section 26, township 27, north range 18 east, and the 2-8 of section 23, township 27, north range 18 east, lying contiguous to said north 1/2 of section 26 in rectangular form one mile east and west and 660 feet north and south, in the Cherokee Indian Territory, has been filed in the office of the clerk of the United States court in the Indian Territory, northern district, at Vinita, and said court has fixed the hearing of same for December 18th, 1900, at ten o'clock a. m., at the U. S. court room at Vinita. This 17th day of October, 1900.

JAMES HUNTER, R. V. PIERCE, AGENTS, GEORGE J. JAMESON.

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FOR BILIOUSNESS, STOMACH AND LIVER DISORDER OR CONSTIPATION.

Chapman & Briggs, Agts.